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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

This *Amendment and Response to Restriction Requirement* is submitted in response to the March 22, 2010 Office Action. The shortened statutory period for response to the Office Action expired on April 22, 2010. In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the Office Action. The period for response is thereby extended to May 22, 2010. Thus, this Amendment and Response to the Office action is timely filed.

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